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1. The combination sawmill and flour mill of the Industrial Enterprise of the Abja Rayon Consumers' Union (Promkombinat Abyaskogo raypotrebsoyuza) was located on Jaam. Street in Abja. Previously, the mill had been owned by a man named Kulkin, and it was still known as the Kulkin Sawmill. Not much work was done at the mill, because the boiler which drove the saw was old and had little power. A diesel motor had been set up outside the mill to provide additional power for the saw, but this had not proved effective. Another reason for there being little work done was the failure of the promkombinat to transport the logs from the woods to the mill during the winter. It was impossible to move the logs in the winter, because the ground was too soft. Thus, there was work only when one of the kolkhozy, sovkhozy, or other establishments requested sawing or milling of its own materials. The mill operated only on weekdays during the day. The principal products were boards sawed from logs and a crude sort of oatmeal for animals. 25X1
2. Ten persons worked at the mill. They were paid on a piecework basis. The manager was Juhan Oks. He had been a mill worker for a long time. 25X1

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3. The following is the legend to  layout sketch of the mill. The numbers refer to the pinpoints on the sketch:

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a. Plank sawing room.

1. Roller for transportation of logs (probably two rollers).
2. Saw.
3. Narrow-gauge rails.
4. Grinding stone.
5. Dynamo for arc-welding.
6. Circular saws.
7. Planing machine.

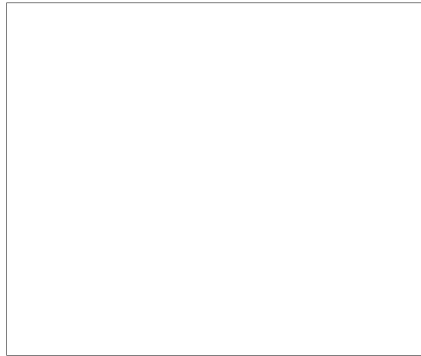
b. Mill: This part of the building was two stories high with concrete walls.

8. Millstone, only able to mill crude oatmeal for animals.
9. Driving belts attached to pulleys on an iron shaft under the ceiling.

c. Boiler room.

10. Old boiler.
11. Chimney.

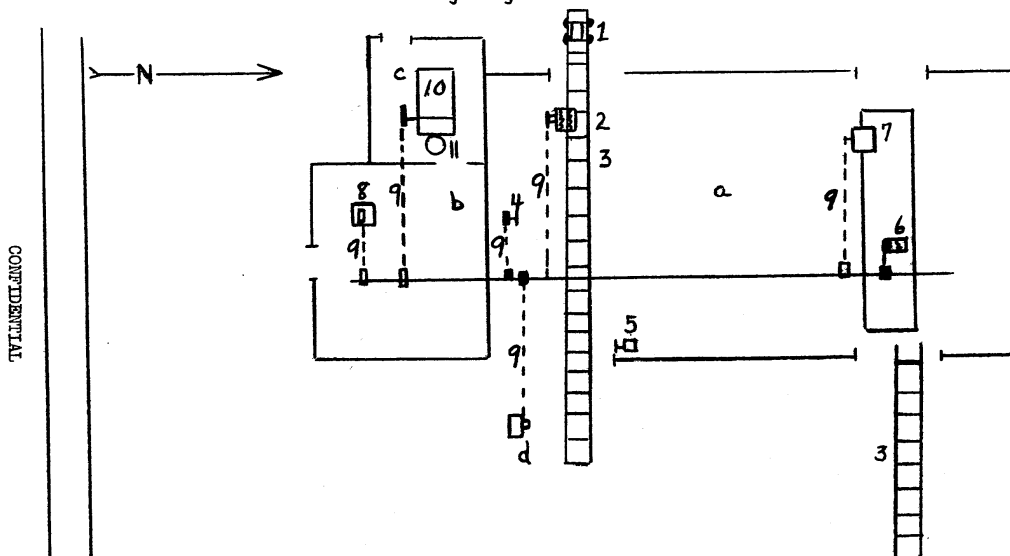
d. Diesel motor.



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